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3 By Senator Holley  
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4 ENROLLED, SJR15,

5 NAMING THE TWO NEW PEA RIVER BRIDGES IN ELBA ON  
6 HIGHWAY 84 THE MARION BAILEY BRUNSON, SR., MEMORIAL BRIDGE.

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8 WHEREAS, it is with highest commendation that we  
9 name the two new Pea River bridges on Highway 84 in Elba,  
10 Alabama, the Marion Bailey Brunson, Sr., Memorial Bridge; and

11 WHEREAS, Marion Bailey Brunson, Sr., was born in  
12 Elba, Alabama, and served the people of Coffee County as an  
13 educator for over 30 years; he served as Probate Judge of  
14 Coffee County for 12 years; and he served on numerous county  
15 and regional boards in Southeast Alabama; he died in June 2007  
16 at the age of 75; and

17 WHEREAS, Brunson was the third generation to own the  
18 family farm in Elba; he was initially a cattle farmer, then  
19 later converted the farm to a silvicultural operation, which  
20 became a Certified Tree Farm and Alabama Treasure Forest; and

21 WHEREAS, in addition to being a public servant as an  
22 educator and later a probate judge, Brunson was a noted local  
23 author, genealogist, and historian; he gladly shared his love  
24 for Coffee County and the Pea River with others; and

1           WHEREAS, Brunson was a good steward of the land and  
2 left it improved for future generations; the eastern abutments  
3 of the new bridge are located on land which was part of the  
4 Brunson farm before its conversion to the new Highway 84; and

5           WHEREAS, it is fitting to name both of these new  
6 bridges to recognize the accomplishments, service, and  
7 contributions of Marion Bailey Brunson, Sr., to the citizens  
8 of Coffee County and the entire State of Alabama; now  
9 therefore,

10           BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, BOTH  
11 HOUSES THEREOF CONCURRING, That we do hereby designate the two  
12 new Pea River bridges on Highway 84 in Elba, Alabama, as the  
13 Marion Bailey Brunson, Sr., Memorial Bridge and request the  
14 appropriate officials to place and maintain signs or markers  
15 as provided in this resolution.

16           BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That a copy of this  
17 resolution be provided for presentation as a memento of this  
18 memorial designation by the Alabama Legislature.

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President and Presiding Officer of the Senate

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Speaker of the House of Representatives

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I hereby certify that the within Senate Joint Resolution  
originated in and was adopted by the Senate.

Patrick Harris,  
Secretary.

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House of Representatives  
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